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Hon. Deborah Taylor Tate, Chairman
Tennessee Regulatory Authority
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Re: *Implementation of the Federal Communications Commission's
Triennial Review Order (Nine-month Proceeding)(Switching)*
Docket No. 03-00491

Dear Chairman Tate:

Enclosed is the following proprietary information being submitted on CD ROM in connection with the Direct Testimony being filed on behalf of BellSouth in the referenced matter:

Testimony of Dr. Debra J. Aron – (including proprietary Exhibits DJA-3 and DJA-4) (Paper copy also enclosed)
James W. Stegeman – Exhibits JWS-4 and JWS-5
Pamela A. Tipton – Exhibits PAT-5 and PAT-7 (Paper copy also enclosed)

Stegeman's Exhibit JWS-5 contains two executable (".exe") files and a Word file entitled Release Notes which contain proprietary information. Included on the CD are Methodology and User Guide files. The Methodology and User Guide files are not considered proprietary and are exhibits to Mr. Stegeman's public testimony. These files are included with the proprietary files for the convenience of viewers of the Release Notes and .exe files who may need to reference them.

This proprietary information is being submitted subject to the terms and provisions of the Protective Order entered in this docket. Copies of the enclosed are being provided to counsel of record.

Very truly yours,

A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to be "Guy M. Hicks".

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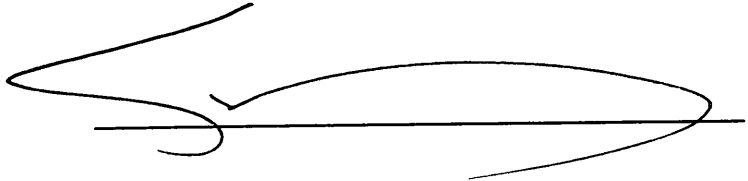
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